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Mr. Fred Dohn
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Dear Mr. Dohn:

The Committee on Energy and Commerce and its Subcommittee on Oversight and Investigations are conducting an ongoing investigation into the presence of cadmium, a known carcinogen, in products intended for children. The Consumer Product Safety Commission last week announced a recall of approximately 12 million drinking glasses bearing designs of the animated character "Shrek," which are being sold at McDonald's restaurants across the country, because the painted designs contain cadmium.

We understand that Arc International's plant in Millville, N.J., manufactured the glasses that are the subject of the recall. To assist the Committee with its investigation, we request that Arc International officials brief the Committee staff on the company's policies to ensure the safety of products created for children. In addition, we ask that you provide the following information:

1. Documents sufficient to show the origins of the paint used on the "Shrek" themed glasses manufactured for McDonald's Corp.;
2. Documents, including e-mails, related to any testing Arc International performed on the paint used on "Shrek" themed glasses manufactured for McDonald's Corp. before the paint was used on the glasses;
3. Documents, including e-mails, related to any testing Arc International performed on the "Shrek" themed glasses after the product was complete and ready for sale to McDonald's Corp.;

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4. All communications with McDonald's Corp. on the safety and suitability of the "Shrek" themed glasses as a product for children, including any policies communicated by McDonald's to Arc about McDonald's standards for children's products; and
5. All Arc International policies and procedures related to preventing the use of hazardous materials in products intended for children.

Please contact Committee staff by June 14, 2010, to schedule the requested briefing, and please produce the materials requested above by June 21, 2010. An attachment to this letter provides additional information on how to respond to Committee document requests. If you have any questions regarding this letter, please contact Molly Gaston or Derrick Franklin with the Committee staff at (202) 226-2424.

Sincerely,



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Attachment

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